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Response to Office Action mailed August 12, 2004

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| Firm or Individual name | Jeffrey G. Degenfelder |
| Signature               |                        |
| Date                    | November 9, 2004       |

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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Sir:

In response to the correspondence mailed August 12, 2004, the Applicant offers the following amendments and remarks:

**REMARKS**

Claims 1-6 are now pending in the present application. Applicant has carefully studied the outstanding Office Action. The present Response is intended to be fully responsive to all points of rejection raised by the Examiner and is believed to place the application in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and allowance of this application are respectfully requested. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the Examiner's rejections in view of the following remarks.